

At the Regular Meeting of the Greenville County Water & Sewer Authority, held on Monday, January 21, 2020, with Regular Session beginning at the conclusion of the Board of Supervisors meeting, in the Board Room of the Greenville County Government Building, 1781 Greenville County Circle, Emporia, Virginia.

Present: William B. Cain, Chairman
James R. Brown, Vice-Chairman
Tony M. Conwell
Belinda D. Astrop

Chairman Cain called meeting to order.

In Re: Approval of Agenda

Mrs. Parson, Director stated that Staff recommended approval of the Agenda.

Mr. Conwell moved, seconded by Mrs. Astrop, to approve the Agenda, as submitted.
Voting aye: Mrs. Astrop, Mr. Brown, Mr. Conwell, and Chairman Cain.

In Re: Approval of the Consent Agenda

Mrs. Parson stated that Staff recommended approval of the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Conwell moved, seconded by Mrs. Astrop, to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the following items. Voting aye: Mrs. Astrop, Mr. Brown, Mr. Conwell and Chairman Cain.

In Re: Minutes from the meeting of January 6, 2020.

In Re: Warrants:

Approval of Total Accounts Payable for January 21, 2020, in the amount of, \$633,408.91

Approval of General Fund, in the amount of, \$333,144.49

Approval of Special Projects, in the amount of, \$300,264.42

In Re: 2020 Water Rate Increase

Mrs. Parson stated that Mr. Gibson was present to discuss the approved rate increase that went into effect on January 1, 2020.

Mr. Gibson addressed the Authority and gave a power point presentation regarding the 2020 Water Rate Increases approved on December 16, 2019. He reviewed several utility improvement projects; the annual debt service increases through FY2022; the water sales required to fund increased debt through FY2022; the impact on the minimum water bill through FY2022; the required water revenue through FY2022; the three year plan; the annual Virginia Rate Report and the City of Emporia's 3% water rate increase that was effective 7/1/19. Mr. Gibson further stated water service was a vital part of everyday life and the community's economy. He stated that it was imperative that GCWSA collect enough revenues to support operations, pay debts and maintain facilities. Mr. Gibson then stated that Staff respectfully requested the 2020 Water Rate Increase remain as previously approved.

Mr. Conwell stated that at the December 16th meeting, as well as the Authority's last meeting on January 6th, Mr. Cain indicated that 80% of the users were in his district. He stated he had requested that the Authority Staff configure some numbers as to how many people in each district was on the water system. Staff reported that District 1 had 325 customers; District 2 had 218 customers; District 3 had 596 customers and District 4 had 536 customer; excluding the Town of Jarratt and Sussex County but still paid Greenville water rates. He further stated based on that with approximately 1600 registered voters, in the Belfield District, only 37% of the Belfield District was on water.

Chairman Cain stated it could not be done that way. He stated it needed to be done by the number of people per household to get the correct percentage.

Mr. Conwell stated he would also like to note that District 4 had three commercial sites in its district; being Greenville Correctional Center, Boars Head and the Dominion Energy Power Plant.

Mr. Conwell moved, seconded by Mrs. Astrop, to keep the rates set forth in place at the December's meeting. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Mrs. Astrop, aye; Mr. Brown, aye; Mr. Conwell, aye and Chairman Cain voted no.

In Re: Resolution #WS-20-24 – MAMaC Wastewater Phase II Construction – Funding Request

Mr. Gibson addressed the Authority and read Resolution #WS-20-24 into record and requested approval of the following:

**RESOLUTION #WS 20-24
MAMaC WASTEWATER PHASE II CONSTRUCTION – FUNDING REQUEST**

WHEREAS, the MAMaC Offsite Wastewater Collection System consists of two phases; and

WHEREAS, phase I is the construction of a gravity sewer line between Hwy 301 and Otterdam Road. Phase I is currently being constructed; and

WHEREAS, phase II is the construction of a force main along Otterdam Road extending to the MAMaC site. The Contractor's phase II bid is well below the engineers estimated construction cost, however sufficient funds were not available to construct Phase II at the time phase I was awarded; and

WHEREAS, GCWSA entered into a bid extension agreement with the contractor extending their bid through February 28, 2020. The extension allowed Greenville County to apply for \$313,940 in additional funding through the Tobacco Commission; and

WHEREAS, the application for additional funding was not approved; and

WHEREAS, the engineers phase II construction cost estimate is \$1,520,000 (\$1,448,000 + \$72,000 contingency). The phase II construction budget is \$313,940 (contractor's \$298,990 phase II bid + \$14,950 Contingency). Based on the engineer's estimate failing to award the phase II bid may result in \$1,206,060 of additional construction cost in the future; and

WHEREAS, phase II of the project will bring sewer service to the MAMaC site and thereby increase the readiness of the sites development; and

WHEREAS, the staff requests GCWSA approval to request \$313,940 in economic development support from the Greenville County Board of Supervisor for this project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE AUTHORITY: Authorizes the Staff to request \$313,940 in economic development support from the Greenville County Board of Supervisors at their next meeting.

Mr. Conwell moved, seconded by Mr. Brown, to approve Resolution #WS-20-24. Voting aye: Mrs. Astrop, Mr. Brown, Mr. Conwell and Chairman Cain.

In Re: Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Conwell moved, seconded by Mrs. Astrop, to adjourn the meeting. Voting aye: Mrs. Astrop, Mr. Brown, Mr. Conwell and Chairman Cain.

William B. Cain, Chairman
Greenville County Water and Sewer Authority